

# COMMISSION ON GOVERNMENT FORECASTING AND ACCOUNTABILITY

## PENSION IMPACT NOTE

101ST GENERAL ASSEMBLY

BILL NO:        **SB 3149**

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SPONSOR (S):   Barickman

SYSTEM(S):     GARS

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**FISCAL IMPACT:** SB 3149 would increase State contributions to GARS inasmuch as no new members would be entering the system, and thus State contributions under P.A. 88-593 (the 1995 funding law) would need to be increased as a level percentage of payroll to reach a 90% funding ratio by FY 2045. An actuarial analysis would be required to determine the amount of the increase in State contributions.

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**SUBJECT MATTER:** SB 3149 amends the General Assembly and Deferred Compensation articles of the Illinois Pension Code to limit participation in GARS to individuals who are first elected or appointed to the General Assembly before the effective date of the legislation. The bill also directs CMS to automatically enroll any employees who become members of the GA or who serve as certain constitutional officers in the State Employees Deferred Compensation Plan after the bill's effective date.

**COMMENT:** The proposed legislation would eliminate any additional liability for GARS beyond its current obligations inasmuch as new members would be prohibited from participating in the system. The system's June 30, 2019 actuarial valuation states that there are currently 126 active contributing members, with an unfunded actuarial liability of \$321.8 million. Currently, there are 323 retirement annuitants and 106 survivor beneficiaries receiving a total annual payment of \$24.6 million.

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